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A motivated and malicious campaign is being run by the BJP with regards to the visits of Congress Vice President Shri Rahul Gandhi to attend a global conference in Aspen, United States.

The Congress party in a written statement, yesterday, had clearly stated that "Congress Vice President, Sh. Rahul Gandhi is travelling to Aspen, U.S on a short visit to attend a conference. The conference is expected to be attended by global leaders from various domains, both from government and private sectors. We reject all rumours stating otherwise"

The above statement leaves little scope for confusion in anybody's mind and any confusion whatsoever in this regards is squarely in the minds of the BJP Spokespersons, who scared of the impending defeat in the Bihar elections are spinning yarns of white lies.

Seeing, its imminent loss in Bihar elections, BJP is resorting to spreading petty canards ranging from statements qua review of reservation by RSS Chief Shri Mohan Bhagwat to Spokespersons shooting themselves in the foot by spreading patent lies.

It is reiterated that the said conference known as 'Weekend with Charlie Rose' is an internationally renowned private conference organised and piloted by famous journalist Shri. Charlie Rose, who apart from other things recently interviewed the Russian President Shri. Vladmir Putin.

The conference, which is by invitation only, is scheduled between September 24 to 28. It brings together select group of leaders from the worlds of business, politics, media, finance, technology, sports, science, medicine and the arts for a weekend of thought provoking conversations and activities.

With regards to speculations being made by the BJP and its leaders about Shri Rahul Gandhi campaigning in Bihar, theirs and the media's attention is brought towards the fact that it was Smt. Sonia Gandhi and Shri Rahul Gandhi who started the Mahagathbandhan Campaign in Bihar from the Swabhiman Rally in Patna and the Samarsta Rally in Ramnagar, West Champaran. The BJP would also do well to realise that Shri Rahul Gandhi will be very much there to spearhead the Congress campaign in Bihar and provide them the much deserved body blow in the elections, campaigning to which will start in the first week of Oct. and will go well into the first week of November.